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Roger L. Burkhart, Chair Safety and Health Codes Board c/o C. Ray Davenport, Commissioner Virginia Department of Labor & Industry 13 South Thirteenth Street Richmond, Virginia 23219

Re: Authority to Amend General Industry Standard for Telecommunications, Approach Distances, § 1910.268(b)(7)(i); Final Rule

Dear Mr. Burkhart:

I have reviewed the above-referenced regulatory amendment standardizing minimum approach distances for energized electrical conductors. It is my opinion that the Safety and Health Codes Board has authority to promulgate such amendments under applicable law, including Chapter 3 of Title 40.1 of the *Code of Virginia*.

If I may be of any further assistance to you relating to this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Alfred B. Albiston

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c: C. Ray Davenport, Commissioner Reba O'Connor